<u>File</u>: JFAB –LOWELL PUBLIC SCHOOLS HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS WHO BECOME NON-RESIDENTS OF LOWELL DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR

The Superintendent or designee may grant permission to a Lowell Public Schools High School Senior who is eligible to graduate in June of the current year whose family moves out of Lowell after January 1st to remain enrolled in a Lowell Public Schools High School. The eligible senior would only be able to remain at a Lowell Public Schools High School until the end of the school year.

The Superintendent or designee may also waive payment of tuition during this time. The purpose is to allow the Lowell Public Schools the discretion and ability when warranted, to support an eligible high school senior's educational stability. It would also allow the Lowell Public Schools the flexibility to ensure that eligible seniors who move from Lowell during the above time frame, and who have met and/or are eligible for a high school diploma, are not prevented from graduating and/or repeating their senior year in the new school district, should the new school district not honor an eligible seniors credits, transcript or representations from the Lowell Public Schools that the eligible senior is in fact eligible to receive a high school diploma.

The Superintendent or designee will draft a guideline to implement this policy. This policy is intended to be retroactive to January 1, 2020.

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The Superintendent or designee may grant permission to a Lowell Public Schools High School Senior who is eligible to receive a diploma/certificate of attendance (hereinafter "Senior") in June of the current school year and who becomes a non-resident of Lowell after January 1st the first marking period (quarter one) to remain enrolled in a Lowell Public Schools High School. The Superintendent or designee will also have the discretion in unique circumstances to allow the Senior to remain if the move occurs before the first marking period (quarter one). The Senior would only be able to remain at a Lowell Public Schools High School until the end of June of the current school year. The Superintendent or designee may also waive payment of tuition during this time.

The purpose of this policy is to allow the Lowell Public Schools the discretion and ability when warranted, to support a Senior's educational stability. It would also allow the Lowell Public Schools the flexibility to ensure that Seniors who move from Lowell during the above time frame, and who have met and/or are eligible for diploma/certificate of attendance, are not prevented from graduating and/or required to repeat another year in the new school district, should the new school district not honor the Senior's credits, transcript or representations from the Lowell Public Schools that the Senior is in fact eligible to receive a diploma/certificate of attendance.

The Superintendent or designee will draft a guideline to implement this policy. This policy is intended to be retroactive to the start of the 2019-2020 school year.

Definitions:

Senior: Any student who is currently attending one of Lowell Public Schools high school programs (LHS, Career Academy, or Leblanc School); and has met the necessary course requirements and/or earned the necessary credits to be eligible to receive their diploma/certificate of attendance at the graduation ceremony held in June, of the current school year.

Non-Resident: A student whose family has moved out of Lowell and has legally become a resident of another city or town.